Emission and effluent standards have been notified for various categories of industries under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986.

The Air quality is monitored at 339 locations in 126 cities/towns across 25 States and 4 UTs in the country.

Action plans for improvement of Air quality have been prepared and implemented for 16 cities.

Cleaner fuels have been introduced for control of vehicular pollution as per Auto Fuel Policy.

Source Apportionment Studies for suspended particulate matter (SPM) and Respirable Suspended Particulate Matter (RSPM) have been initiated for ascertaining contribution from various sources in six cities, namely, Delhi, Kanpur, Mumbai, Pune, Bangalore and Chennai through various institutions.

For controlling water pollution emanating from Small Scale Industries units, a Centrally sponsored scheme for establishment of Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) is under implementation.

Pollution in Similipal Forest Biosphere in Mayurbhanj

3270. SHRI BHAGIRATHI MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

whether Government is aware of the fact that in the core area of Similipal Forest Biosphere in Mayurbhanj district of Orissa State where national tiger project exists/locates, a numerous stone cutting crushers and iron extraction machines have been set up;

if so, whether these machines have not only been creating environmental pollution but also distructing all living human, animals and plants;

if so, whether they have been permitted by Government for such dangerous activities; and

if not, the steps Government has taken/would take against these culprits/companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Similipal Tiger Reserve is located within the Similipal Biosphere Reserve. As reported by the State, no stone cutting crusher or iron extraction machine have been set up within the core area of the Biosphere Reserve.

(b) to (d) Questions do not arise.

Impact of global warming on the economy

3271. PROF. P.J. KURIEN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

the details of impact of Global Warming on the economy;

the steps taken by Government in this regard;

whether it is **a** fact that the developed countries are contributing to a much larger extent to this global warming;

if so, the details thereof; and

the action taken by Government in this regard?